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Dear Joshua:

Saturday V-28-60
at 6⁰⁰ AM CDT.

① The October 1958 issue of the Proceedings National Academy of Sciences happens to contain the last article, by H.O.L. Fisher - who was the eldest son of Emil Fisher, ^(It is an issue I wish to keep.) Emil F. you will recall had something to do with making you a NOTORIOUS young American. But I hasten to add you are so by merit - and the fact that you selected your parents etc carefully.

I will get you another copy - to fill the hole - if it is wanted.

A card is enclosed

② H.O.L. Fisher was already known to have a liver ailment when I wrote for ^{his} 70th birthday anniversary volume - Archer for Brochem - etc Dec 1958 issue. Look it up. It represents my "sober" mood - melancholy under wraps. Whilst I had the assignment for this task since April 1958 - I did not write till Oct 28-'58 when I had the pulmonary hemorrhage that caused me to lay-up for a while. (Remember by then you & Esther were celebrities.) I do not have any reprints of this

over

⑧ You know was a captive in the audience. He had come in. He still lecture here to speak on DNA - RNA - etc having forgotten that on Medical School Field Day - there are no classes.

due to a butch in the front office of Biochemistry.
C.A.E. had trained The Barker (Miss Terrie) to be efficient
only on his matters. The galley on this was read by me
at Case View #.

In this past March the terminal stages of the dis-arranged
liver cell growth - brought ^{on} H.O.L.'s death in Los Angeles.
Fortunately I had written him a long letter - before
the drugs took over.

I met H.O.L. Fisher in 1926-27 in Berlin where I was
a kind of "academic burn". And so my last Link with
Classical Sugar Chemistry is gone.

I'm sure you will approve of a recent decision. I
gave my last lecture on this Campus on 11-29-60 in
our S.M.A. building - Medical School Field Day.
Carbohydrate Chemistry and Biochemistry Seminars
by K.P. LINK are now ^{to be} no more. I should have quit
that attempt at teaching in 1948 for the stream had
already gone by me by then - as you know.

I propose to stay here - if I can make a satisfactory
deal with The Regents. If I can't I will resign - and
devote the last 10 (I'm 56 + 6 months) as a consultant
to various industries. As you know there is a right
time to get off the stage so that one does not
do permanent damage to the new generation.

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I feel right good again physically.

In the next 10 years I will also try to knock out
"The Memoirs of K.P.L."

I have an open. end contract with a publisher

The Memoirs were started at Lakeview early in Dec 58
I am not writing for posterity - but just to amuse
myself.

By virtue of my familys code - my father you might
recall was a Lutheran Pastor - who had to quit saving
souls when he was 42 - for he acquired a "Preachers
Voice" - that is hoarseness. He then entered politics
after a brief stay as Warden of the Indiana State
Prison. He became Clerk of the La Porte Co. Circuit
Court - when I served as a "Scribe" from 1908-1914
My father's seat (he died in 1912) was taken over by
our second eldest brother - Alfred John - a
lawyer by training (U of Chicago). Subsequently
A. J. Hunt sat as Judge of that Court for 18 years.

With best wishes and all good cheer - as usual for you & Ethel.

K.P.C.

My father was "against the sin - but for the sinner"
and in his court nothing was recorded into the
"Big Books" against a dead man - unless it could
be clearly and firmly established.

So in My Memoirs it will be "Sweet Reasonableness"
on all with whom I might have clashed.

Whilst this code takes much lightning and
thunder out of My Memoirs - I shall have a plenty
to write about.

I already have the rough prepared on my relations
with one Joshua Lederberg. I wrote it in Feb 59 at
the 7 Sam.

All the ~~great~~ men here you left behind have
become greater in these fast moving days to wit Green.
Serles, Brinner, C.G.E., E.B. Fred, Charlie Walker,
Bob Burris, etc etc. The salt still are salt.
Was ever so. [see the Book of Koheleth]

Our boys John at Cal Tech, Thomas at Reed and
little Paul (he also conquered at Morninggale 7 for
Children) are doing right well. Ditto for Mrs. Green.